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SUBJECT: MONTONEROS' REQUEST TO OPEN OFFICE IN TANZANIA

1. TANZANIAN EMBASSY OFFICIAL HERE CALLED ON DESK OFFICER NOVEMBER 10 TO REPORT THAT HE HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED BY HIS GOVERNMENT TO GET A READING ON THE ARGENTINE GUERRILLA MOVEMENT, MONTONEROS. OFFICIAL CLAIMED THAT MONTONEROS' REPS HAD CONTACTED PARTY IN DAR AND ASKED TO OPEN AN OFFICE THERE. EMBASSY OFFICIAL HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED TO REPORT US REACTION ON POSSIBLE OPENING OF OFFICE.

2. BOTH EMBASSY HERE AND MFA IN DAR WERE UNHAPPY THAT THE PARTY HAD BEGUN CONTACTS WITH THE MONTONEROS. THEY FEAR FOR TANZANIA'S INTERNATIONAL REPUTATION: TANZANIA WOULD OF COURSE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT BLACK LIBERATION GROUPS IN

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THEIR STRUGGLES AGAINST THE MINORITY WHITE REGIMES IN SOUTHERN AFRICA, BUT TANZANIA DID NOT CARE TO BECOME A HAVEN FOR VARIOUS RADICAL TERRORIST GROUPS "AS LIBYA HAS DONE."

3. TANZANIA DESK OFFICER CONTACTED ARGENTINE DESK AND ON NOVEMBER 11 PASSED UNCLASSIFIED MATERIALS TO THE TANZA-

NIAN EMBASSY REGARDING THE MONTONEROS. HE ALSO
STATED THAT THE US CURRENTLY ENJOYS NORMAL RELATIONS WITH
THE GOVERNMENT OF ARGENTINA AND REGARDED MONTONEROS
AS A RADICAL TERRORIST GROUP. EMBASSY OFFICIAL EXPRESSED

HIS GRATITUDE FOR OUR OPINION AND STATED THAT HE EXPECTED
TANZANIA WOULD NOT PERMIT SUCH AN OFFICE TO OPEN.

4. EMBASSY OFFICIAL STRESSED THAT CONTACTS WITH DEPART-
MENT MUST REMAIN IN STRICT CONFIDENCE. HE ALSO STATED
THAT BOTH THE EMBASSY AND THE FOREIGN MINISTRY HAD
DETERMINED THAT TANZANIA SHOULD NOT MAKE ANY DECISIONS
WHICH MIGHT HAVE AN ADVERSE EFFECT ON ITS CURRENT
EXCELLENT RELATIONSHIP WITH THE US. VANCE

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